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PRES. POLLEN EXPLAINS

K.C.R. Promoters Position—Was Promised Aid

Nelson Daily News:

C. Hungerford Pollen, of Cranbrook, president of the Kootenay Central Railway, was at the Home last evening, on his way to Victoria, where he is going in the interests of the railway company in question.

Mr. Pollen stated last night that he was very hopeful of obtaining aid from the Provincial Government for the construction of the Kootenay Central. If the aid asked for be granted, construction of the 186 miles of road, from Golden to the Crow's Nest line, would be rushed this coming season.

"We have already built about five miles of road from Golden south," said Mr. Pollen, "and we have, and have expended by the 1st of May next fully the \$150,000 called for by our charter, to be extended by that date."

"We had a great public meeting at Cranbrook early in the week, when resolutions urging the Government to give us the necessary aid, were unanimously and enthusiastically passed, and petitions to the Legislature along the same lines are being numerously signed all over the district and will later be presented at Victoria."

"Our position, the position of the promoters of the Kootenay Central Railway, I mean, is a very simple one. To begin with we have charters from both the Dominion and Provincial governments. We have a Dominion subsidy of \$3,200 per mile. Originally we had a Provincial subsidy of \$4,500 per mile and a land grant, but this lapsed before we could take advantage of it. We were promised subsequently a grant of \$5,000 per mile in three per cent Provincial bonds, but this has never been granted and so we are now asking that it should be made so that our bonds may become saleable and we can proceed with the construction of the road."

"We have the line from Golden south to a point on the B. C. Southern—the Crow's Nest line—between Windermere and Cranbrook, fully and carefully surveyed, and our plans, maps, etc., are on file with the department. We have found a grade not exceeding 3-10 of one per cent, and this is very important as railways nowadays must have low grades to successfully compete for business or in fact to do heavy hauling at all. We have been delayed in the past through causes entirely beyond our control, but hope this session to make good our case before the Legislature and obtain the grant we ask for. I think construction will cost about \$18,000 per mile but if we get the Provincial subsidy we can at once complete our own financial arrangements, without it we can not make any headway. Other railway ventures in British Columbia in the past have always obtained grants of from \$5,000 to \$6,000 per mile as well as grants of land five to six thousand acres of land per mile, a financial man to whom we look for funds will not consent to underwrite our bonds without a subsidy. The C. P. R. have said in the past that they were willing to construct the line we want to build, but it has merely been part of their general railway policy, and this general policy going through with the Provincial Government, this particular line has been dropped. We would be quite willing to let the C. P. R. build the line if they only would, but as they are taking no active steps in the matter we

are pushing our own plan and hope to succeed. Our line runs through one of the richest sections of country in the province which is now practically closed down awaiting transportation facilities. There are many mines, timber limits and fruit and farming lands all along our line which would attract a large population once a line of railway was completed, and in time the road would pay very well, the main trouble is to get a start. The province would reap a rich return in many ways from the construction of our line from the very start, and what we ask is a perfectly business-like proposition. We have been assured of government aid repeatedly in the past and this very fact makes it necessary for us to get it now, if we are to successfully finance our plans. We do not anticipate any difficulty with the C. P. R., and expect to work satisfactorily with that corporation if we can obtain the promised government aid we are now seeking."

Combines Overshadow the Food Supplies

All combines that obstruct the free operation of the law of supply and demand strike the people hard, but surely the combination that inflicts the hardest and cruellest blow is that which raises the price of the poor man's food. The combines that wind their tentacles around the grocery and provision trade are peculiarly of this character. It would appear that the suggested commission with power to take evidence under oath, were it appointed, would find testimony of a rather startling character as to what may be accomplished behind the shelter of a pretty high tariff in the way of raising the price of food products by arbitrary methods until the cost is actually more than double that prevailing for the same class of articles in large cities in the republic to the south, as well as what may be done in the employment of unscrupulous tactics to drive local competition out of the field. This is information that will not add to the contentment of the consuming classes with regard to the operations of these trade restricting organizations. It has often been complained that while wages have advanced in recent years, they have not been equivalent to the increase in the cost of the necessities of life. The public are being rapidly enlightened as to the cause of this. The enquiries that have been made in Montreal have strengthened the argument in favor of a thorough investigation by a commission into the operations of the combines whose existence is no longer a matter of surmise.—Montreal Herald.

Gold dredging is now attaining great proportions in California and Nevada. According to Charles G. Yale, of the United States Geological Survey, the cost per cubic yard for removing gravel with the better class of new dredgers runs from two and third cents in the case of new machines, to from 5 to 7 cents where a considerable amount of repairs have to be done on the dredging plant. It is stated by this eminent authority that material yielding but ten cents in gold to the cubic yard of gravel can be operated at a profit. The dredges cost from \$65,000 to \$90,000, according to size. They handle from 3,000 to 4,000 tons of gravel per day, and the important point about them is that they need no ground on which to dump the tailings, as they deposit the washed material in the dock behind them as they get their way into the deposit. Further, it may be said that it is only necessary to have a place in which they can float in the first instance. After that they carry with them enough water (by excavation) to float them.

Rev. Mr. McKenzie will conduct Presbyterian church services at Galena the fourth Sunday of each month, and every other Sunday in Windermere at 11 a.m., Ash Grove 3 p.m. and Wilmer 7:30 p.m.

DISTRICT CROPPINGS

And Other Items of Interest in a General Way

A few days since a gentleman brought in a fine sample of sapphirine which he found amongst the gravels of Wild Horse creek. This gem is about half the value of the diamond when cut and polished. The specimen from Wild Horse was somewhat pale in color, but was a sapphirine beyond all question. The find need occasion no surprise, as gem stones have been very frequently found in the various creeks flowing down the west side of the Rockies. A mining engineer named H. E. Neave, who had years of experience in Kimberley mines, South Africa, positively identified the diamond bearing gravel in the Windermere district. He made a pretty extended search for the diamonds, but though he found zircons and garnets in great abundance he was not rewarded by finding the object of his search. He stated that the formation was identical with the South African, and were it not that he had to return to the DeBeers mine he was confident he would prove that diamonds existed in the country drained by Tuby and Horse Thief creeks. The trouble is that men are searching for gold, but pay little attention to pebbles of any sort. When these pebbles do attract attention the men have neither the experience nor the means of identifying the objects they sometimes pick up. Diamonds might very easily be mistaken for common quartz crystal. The Cranbrook Herald is responsible for the foregoing. Mr. Neave lived here for about two years and spent sometime searching for diamonds. He went to Vancouver Island not long ago and it is stated he has not yet returned to South Africa.

The annual convention of the Associated Boards of Trade convened at Cranbrook next Wednesday, January 31st. Several important matters of importance to this district are to be discussed at this meeting and resolutions submitted, chief among them being the construction of the Kootenay Central Railway and the establishing of an experimental farm. An effort should be made to send some good man from this district to the convention to lay before it the condition and needs of the country in a proper form. It is to be very much regretted that steps were not taken long ago to affiliate with the Association so that the district might enjoy the benefits that it commands.

It is sincerely hoped that at the present meeting of the Legislature money will be voted for the extension of Tuby creek road at least another six miles and also for a road to open up No. 3 creek. These two roads are necessary for the further development of the claims, land and timber in the vicinity, and for several years development has been retarded on this account.

The Boston Commercial asserts that the Granby is making its copper at a profit of 10 cents per pound, which it says is at the rate of a profit of 18.50 per share per annum. And yet people live who say it is a poor investment to put money into mining.

If the K. C. R. is not aided by the Provincial Legislature it will not be the fault of the people in the Columbia and Kootenay valleys. All along the route resolutions have been passed and petitions signed asking for aid.

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Maskerade Ball Feb. 14.

The outlook for the coming of tourists to this valley next season is bright.

Born—At Wilmer, on Sunday, Jan. 20th, 1906, to the wife of E. J. Scovill, S. M., a daughter.

M. E. Foster returned to Filandora from Golden Sunday, accompanied by Mrs. and Miss Home and little "Jack".

R. S. Gallop, wife and family returned to Canterbury on Monday after visiting relatives at Balfour for nearly a month.

Jasper Levas was in the metropolis on Sunday enjoying the sights. "Jow" has been up Findlay creek assisting Jack Spencer on his big ranch.

Frank Unfried is spending the winter in Phoenix, but is keeping his eye on this country and will return to develop his promising mineral holdings.

It is understood that a great deal of development work will be done on the South Fork of Horse Thief creek next season provided the government can be induced to extend the road up the creek.

Word comes from Golden that the petition circulated by the Board of Trade in that town asking the Legislature to assist the K. C. R. is being well received and a great number of names have already been attached to it.

A private letter from the Okanagan states that the fruit of the Windermere district as a whole is reaching the market and that many people there state they will come here next season to invest. May they come in crowds, for this country will bear investigation.

There is considerable rivalry between the transients of the C. R. L. Co.'s camps along the west side of Windermere lake. At Beech's camp one day last week four teams drew 1,000 logs a mile and a half to the lake and the same day at Ogden's the same number of teams hauled 750 logs two miles to the lake, and the contest proceeds day after day.

It is stated that the new furnace installed by the Corbournum Reduction Co., at Niagara Falls, for the production of silicon and ferro-silicon has proved an entire success. These products are worth, as it is stated, \$600 per ton. Silicon is the acid base of silicic, or quartz. It is given as a non-metallic base, with an atomic weight of 28, as compared with 196.7 for gold, and 240 for uranium.

The boomerang on the Golden Star has had another bad attack. This time the symptoms prove conclusively that "sawdust" has developed in its most acute form and he devotes about half the paper in telling how little he thinks of the Outcrop for objecting to the slur and insult heaped upon the people of this valley and the promoters of the K. C. R. It all goes to prove once more how utterly useless it is to talk to a man with "mules in his pocket". Nevertheless, unless this cur is put where he belongs someone will be hurt or something will happen.

Tungsten is now being sought for as a medium for lengthening steel. The mineral is derived from two ores, wolframite and scheelite respectively. The former is said to be a brownish black, very heavy, brittle and slightly magnetic, somewhat resembling magnetite ore. It is notable for its weight, and the name tungsten is derived from the Swedish, meaning literally heavy stone. Scheelite is the chief source of tungstic acid, the material used for the tempering of steel. The material is a white, glassy ore, resembling quartz or heavy spar, though considerably heavier than the latter, and is also a heavy ore. In an article of considerable length on the subject the Nelson News states that wolframite occurs in the St. Marys district.

Premier McBride Says

He Expects to See K.C.R. Construction Underway in Very Near Future

In recognition of a set of resolutions passed at a meeting held at Windermere urging the Provincial Legislature to aid the Kootenay Central Railway and forwarded to Victoria last month, Premier McBride has written the secretary of the meeting as follows:

Premier's Office, Victoria, B.C.

J. C. Pitts, Esq., Windermere, B.C.

My dear Sir:—I am in receipt of a copy of resolutions passed by the ratepayers and residents of Windermere of the 13th ult., together with your covering letter.

I quite agree that the development of your section of the Province would be materially assisted by the construction of the road in question, and from reports at hand feel assured that we may expect to see construction underway in the very near future. Yours truly,

RICHARD MCBRIDE.

Sir Thos. Shaughnessy

Says K.C.R. Will be Built on Lines of Present Survey

The following is an extract from a letter received by Dr. Watt, of Fort Steele, from Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the C. P. R.:

"The Kootenay Central will be constructed on the lines of the present survey via Fort Steele. When completed it is possible a branch line may be built to Cranbrook."

Another K.C.R. Petition

The people of South East Kootenay are not in doubt, how far they are to take seriously the building of the Kootenay Central Railway, and are determined on engaging the attention of the Legislative Assembly, whose furtherance is understood to be dependent upon public assistance.

The attitude of almost every citizen of the district is one of welcome to this railway, which is seeking an entry into the Columbia and Kootenay valleys, and, as on several previous occasions we have pointed out that from a mere business standpoint there seems to be no reason why assistance should not be given to this, one of the most important railway projects in British Columbia.

During the past week a petition has been circulated in the district, which has been signed by everybody, all of whom recognize the importance of the immediate construction of the Kootenay Central.—Cranbrook Prospector.

Differences in Ores

Because a zinc ore is high grade is no criterion of its high metal producing content. There are certain ores in the Sloan that run as high as 53 and 54 per cent, but the smelters have found out to their cost that these ores are very hard to desulphurize. They are very hard, crystallized, very hard and dense, and contain a certain percentage of iron chemically combined. They must very hard and dense, and it appears to be almost impossible to drive all the sulphur out. The presence of sulphur in the ore, when in process of distillation in the retort, is a very detrimental feature, as each unit of sulphur holds back two units of zinc. This makes the losses very high, so that if an ore can be secured running say 45 per cent zinc which is more tractable to treat, the metal recovery might be the same as with the high grade material.

The 45 per cent ore being much cheaper in first cost, would be the ore to buy in preference to the 53 or 54 per cent grade, because the winnings in metal are the same. The Joplin ores are very tractable in treatment, which accounts for the high price paid for them. British Columbia ores are an unknown quantity, beyond a few grades from certain mines. Some work very good in the furnace, but others, even though of high metal content, work very poorly. This fact will be brought home to the British Columbia producer as soon as the demand slackens off in the United States. As soon as the ore gets plentiful all sorts of penalties are imposed. The list of penalties on the Joplin product is a long one.—Saudou Mining Standard.

Mrs. J. C. Pitts of Windermere went up to Bluff last Thursday to spend a couple of weeks visiting Mrs. Starbird.

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The letter printed elsewhere in this issue over the signature of Premier McBride may at first thought appear too "general" and noncommittal, yet when it is considered that the position he occupies enables him to get reports and information more reliable than other people it may be fair to consider that he is sure whereof he speaks when he says "from reports at hand feel assured that we may expect to see construction underway in the very near future."

Dr. Watt of Fort Steele has written a letter to the Nelson Daily News in which he acknowledges himself to be the writer of the letter copied in The Outcrop over the signature "Viator" two weeks ago. The Doctor's letter is in reply to the Cranbrook Herald, which made a vigorous protest against "Viator's" attack on the T.L. paper and town. In his last letter Dr. Watt claims that if the Kootenay Central is built to Cranbrook it will leave "Fort Steele miles away from the road", and at the expense of heavy grades. Here is an extract from the Doctor's letter that is worth bearing in mind: "What should be the true attitude of every fair minded resident of the district? It is to work heartily and warmly together for the original K. C. R., with such connecting branches as may be agreed upon and may be found practicable. For there is a very real danger if we go on fighting each other instead of working in harmony, the whole scheme may fall through and may not be revived for years to come."

Quarrelling over the particular route the Kootenay Central shall or shall not take can do no good and may harm the individuals who participate in them. Fortunately, the little arguments in this vicinity have terminated and to get the road, no matter where, is now the paramount end worked for, each town being satisfied with showing the advantages to be gained by their particular location. But at the southern end there is a merry townsite scrap on. In this connection it may be of interest to quote what a man said to The Outcrop sometime ago, who claimed considerable knowledge of railway building. He said that when the K. C. R. was actually built it would be found it kept as near the known resources as a good grade will permit and he argued that railway builders had learn many a hard lesson that had taught them the wisdom of building as close to the sources of freight as possible in order that no other road could be built that might take the traffic from them. He also cited numerous instances showing how very easy it was to make mistakes in building through a new undeveloped country, and how easily a second road could be built to take everything from the first. One instance quoted was that in the Boundary, where after the C. P. R. had built new mines were opened up, and just as they had begun to make some profits the Great Northern built between their line and the mines and succeeded in getting the major portion of the ore, etc., to haul. This gentleman went on to point out that when the K. C. R. is built it is more than probable that mines will be opened up here in many places at present unthought of, and that in a few years hence we may see a repetition of what has occurred in the Boundary here. All this is good logic and as many other important matters must be considered in building a railroad in this valley, as it is not to be for mere local purposes, townsites issues will be considered in so far as they are backed up by resources that mean business for the road. Furthermore, it should be remembered that no railway company is above making money out of a townsite and frequently towns have been built by them to the detriment of older nearby towns.

The question is often asked: "Do petitions and resolutions sent to a government accomplish any good?" They certainly should. These are the means taken by the people—who have chosen certain men to transact their public business for them—to tell their servants what they want done, and it lends strength and importance to the proposition, besides assuring the government that the electors are ready to uphold them in their efforts. If a government refused to be guided by a petition signed by the majority of the people, how then are the people to be served?

Kootenay Central

The ruling below can scarcely be called a map, still it will give some idea of the situation of this country in connection with the main line of the C. P. R. and the C. N. P. R. which the Kootenay Central Railway will connect.

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Witness my hand and seal at Wilmer, B.C., October 24th, 1905.

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(From the "Annual Mining Review" of the Nelson Daily News.

(Continued from last issue.)

Lucky Boy.—The Lucky Boy group contains four claims situated on the south side of Tuly creek. Development consists of 134 feet of tunneling and many open cuts. Ledge is about 16 feet in width with a 12 inch pay streak. Ore is grey copper, galena and carbonates, assaying up to 281 ozs. silver, and 45 per cent lead. Work will be continued the winter through.

Black Diamond.—The Black Diamond group is a promising property on the north side of Tuly creek. It will be a regular shipper when transportation facilities shall be provided. The ledge is 4 feet in width, with 12 inches of silver lead ore averaging 83 ounces silver, 78 per cent lead, and occasionally, 24 per cent zinc. Development work includes open cuts, prospect shafts and 337 feet of tunneling.

Sultana. The Sultana group of three claims is on Michelson creek, a tributary of Tuly creek. The ledge is 3 feet wide with 10 inches of clean ore and carbonates. Development includes 70 feet of tunneling and a number of open cuts in ore.

Hot Punch.—The Hot Punch group includes three claims on the North Fork of Tuly creek. On No. 1 claim there is a 65-foot shaft, with a 12-foot drift. On No. 2 claim the clean ore ranges from 6 to 24 inches in width. On No. 2 claim 6 to 8 inches of clean ore is shown in 10 open cuts; this is galena and grey copper of an average value of about \$100 per ton.

Outcrop.—The Outcrop group, on the North Fork of Tuly creek, consists of four claims, with two veins about 1400 feet apart. A series of open cuts shows a continuous shoot, varying from 8 in. to 2 feet of clean ore, for 493 feet. A tunnel started about 300 feet below a surface cropping of ore will give that height of stopping ground when it shall cut the lead.

Silver Tip.—On the Silver Tip, on Tuly creek, about 30 inches of clean ore have been uncovered for some 300 feet. Development consists of 445 feet of tunneling and a lot of surface work.

Duchess.—The Duchess group is on Dutch creek. The ore contains copper and gold. Development includes a 33 out tunnel, and open cuts and prospect shafts.

Lead Queen.—The Lead Queen group of five claims on B. D. S. creek, a tributary of No. 3 creek, promises to be a large producer of lead ore. All the claims are on one ledge which is about 10 feet in width, with up to three feet of clean ore running 65 ounces silver and 71 per cent lead. On the Lead Queen a crosscut tunnel encountered the lead at 264 feet at a depth of about 150 feet. A drift for 100 feet north showed 2 feet of clean ore and 6 inches of carbonates all the way, while to the south for 30 feet the clean ore was 3 feet wide and the carbonates 6 inches. Last summer much surface work was done on the Big Chief claim and a crosscut tunnel was started. The driving of this tunnel is being continued and it is expected the main lead will be met with at about 200 feet in and a similar distance below the surface. On the First Effort claim a tunnel driven 150 feet on the lead was in ore the whole of that distance. The ore here runs higher in silver and lower in lead than on the Lead Queen and zinc occurs. Assay returns show silver 73 ounces per ton, lead 80 per cent and zinc 15 per cent. Besides the main lead there are two small veins the ore in which also runs well in silver and lead, but not such work has yet been done on these. The owners of the Lead Queen group are Thos. Brown, Henry Schweigert and S. A. Dorr, all working miners.

In addition to the comparatively large amount of development work they have done, without outside assistance, they have built two substantial cabins and made a good ranching trail from No. 3 creek bottom up B. D. S. creek to Lead Queen basin. Ample supplies have been taken in and they intend con-

tinuing development work throughout the winter. The energy and persistence with which these three men have been and are developing their property is creditable to them and affords an excellent example which might be generally followed with great advantage to the mining industry of the province.

Steele.—The Steele group of two claims is on Williamson creek, a tributary of No. 3 creek. A crosscut tunnel entered the lead at 50 feet and the ore showing the full length of a 25 foot drift is 30 inches of clean ore and 6 inches of carbonates. On the surface the lead has been stripped for 250 feet. Assay returns are silver 65 to 70 ounces and lead 64 per cent.

McLean.—The McLean group, on McLean creek, another tributary of No. 3 creek, is one of the higher-grade properties of No. 3 creek camp. The ore gives assay returns of 128 to 200 ounces silver per ton and 70 to 85 per cent lead. A tunnel and a number of open cuts constitute the development work done.

Other claims.—There are many other mineral claims on the several creeks above mentioned on which more or less development work has been done, and still others on Boulder, Law, Horn, Thiel, No. 2 and Findlay creeks.

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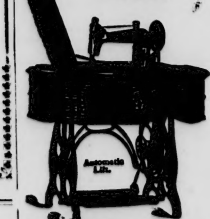
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Croppings

Freighters on route from Golden are experiencing great trouble with the present mild weather.

The very latest dance is said to be "The Lone Shirt Sleeve Waltz". What ever can it be like?

The balmy chinook has been blowing steadily since Monday and the sleighing is done for the present.

The Star intimates that Peck McSwain objects to being held responsible for the slander printed in that paper. It is no wonder a man of Peck's ability objects.

Isaac Nolan says that when he was at home he was recognized as the leading orator of "Sweedland". No one doubts this, and some think his brother was a noted songster.

The force of men employed by the Columbia River Lumber Co. clearing out Toby creek are now at work near the long canon, having cleared the creek from near the 17-mile post.

Mrs. Black (formerly Miss Norris of Windermere) has returned from a visit to her home in Toronto and joined her husband at Golden, where he has charge of the K. C. R. construction work and survey.

Premier McBride is reported as saying in the House that as for railways the Government would take the House into its confidence with the statement that so far as at present known no railway legislation would be offered this session.

A host of friends will assemble at the Windermere Hall tonight to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Walker Tegar on having happily attained the 25th anniversary of their wedding day. May they live to celebrate their diamond wedding as the wish of The Outcrop.

Every man owes it to himself and his family to master a trade or profession. Read the display advertisement of the six Morse Schools of Telegraphy, in this issue and learn how easily a young man or lady may learn telegraphy and be assured a position.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Starbird entertained a number of their friends at Bluffly last Friday evening, among them being Miss McNeil, Miss McNaughton, Miss Snook, Mr. and Mrs. Pitts, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, and Messrs. F. Hume, A. R. Yates, J. M. McLeod, J. Williamson and C. Farmer. One and all report having thoroughly enjoyed themselves upon their arrival home at noon the next day.

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Silver Belt and Carbonate Fraction Mineral Claims

Situate in the Windermere Mining Division at North East Kootenay District, where located on Spring creek, a tributary of Toby creek.

Take Notice that I, Charles M. Keop, Free Miner's Certificate No. 56304, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 27, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 25th day of January, A.D. 1906.

1-18 C. M. KEOP.

NOTICE.

To Delinquent Co-owners

To J. E. Righam, of Kaslo, B.C., or to whomsoever he may have transferred his interest in "Silver Belt" mineral claim, situated on the south side of Toby creek, in the Windermere Mining Division of British Columbia.

You are hereby notified that I have expended \$1000.00 in labor and improvements upon the above mentioned mineral claim under the provisions of the Mineral Act, and it is within sixty days from the date of this notice you fail or refuse to contribute your portion of the above mentioned sum \$100.00, which is now due, together with all costs of advertising, your interest in the said mineral claim will become the property of the undersigned under section 40 of the Mineral Act and Amendment Act 1904.

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